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BRIEFS by the Editor

CONVENTION PREVIEWS, the first of two articles presenting in capsule form the principal issues to come before the August convention of our Synod, will be found on page 238 of this issue. The second article will appear in the issue of July 20.

The convention is scheduled to meet, God willing, August 6-13 in New Ulm, Minnesota. The delegate conferences being held prior to the convention ought to be of great concern to all congregations since it is through these conferences that the "grass roots" have the opportunity to make their opinions known to their duly authorized delegates.

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NEW CONGREGATIONS are being established by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in Ames, Iowa, and Crookston, Minnesota, according to information supplied to us by a correspondent. The congregation in Ames is named Bethany and worships in the Rolling Meadows subdivision at the intersection of Jewel Drive and Diamond Street. Services are conducted at 9:00 A.M. each Sun-

day by Pastor Rodger Dale. Pertinent information regarding the beginning of services in Crookston will be found on page 248 of this issue. Since the ELS is a sister synod of ours, readers of The Northwestern Lutheran will certainly welcome this information.

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AN APPALLING LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF THE BIBLE is reported among the people of Sweden. A nominally Lutheran country, Sweden has the highest standard of living in Europe, yet it is in a state of spiritual and moral bankruptcy. At the most, only five per cent of the population attends church on Sunday. Ten per cent of all births are out of wedlock. It is estimated that 62 per cent of all brides go to the altar at least three months pregnant. Legal and illegal abortions are common.

To help combat these deplorable conditions, a new Bible school has been established. Writing in the monthly *Nya Vaktaren*, which from time to time has been printing Swedish translations of articles from *The*

Northwestern Lutheran, Dr. G. A. Danell, dean of the cathedral at Växjö, reports:

"The Bible, our only source of knowledge of God and His will, has to a large extent lost the position it had earlier in our nation. Even among believers, Bible knowledge has diminished in a catastrophic way. It is evident that the rapidly diminishing Bible knowledge is a serious threat to Christianity in our country. We need an institution where solid Bible instruction is given both to Christians in general, to teachers, youth leaders, and others active within the church, and to academic students. There is also a need for Bible study courses for pastors.

"Lately some persons within the Church of Sweden have discussed the establishment of such an institution. On October 8 of last year an organization was formed to establish and maintain such an institution. Its name is *Biblicum*. The charter of the organization states that its doctrinal basis is God's inspired and completely trustworthy Word and the Confessions of the Lutheran Church. To begin with, shorter courses will be arranged at various places throughout the country. When the institution is fully developed, it will have a full-time, well-qualified president, who will be assisted by an adequate staff of teachers. The corporation is

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The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us. *1 Kings 8:57*

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COVER — An estimated 1500 persons attended the graduation services at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wisconsin, on May 30. A part of the assembly gathered on the spacious and beautiful Seminary campus is shown. Photo: Vern Arendt.

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Editorials

It Does Relate The traditional picture of the regular churchgoer, as cherished by many a person who looks at him from the outside, is not a pretty one. He is pictured as smug, self-satisfied, superior, and hypocritical as he sits in his comfortable pew, basks in the soothing assurance of God's love, and then returns home with an imaginary halo to live in a shell of selfishness.

Of late years this picture has been superseded by an even more shattering evaluation, directed not so much against the churchgoer's person as against the type of things which he espouses and supports. It asserts that religion as believed and taught by Christians through the centuries does not "relate" to life but that it is rather a kind of pious exercise in a vacuum. This evaluation has developed in a few short years from a seldom voiced suspicion to a quite general assumption, parroted with a high degree of regularity in current religious interviews and discussions.

Admittedly, not all religion is pure and undefiled. But it is also true that nothing could relate more to the practical needs of man than religion founded on and derived from the Bible. It identifies wrong, delineates its consequences, and warns against it in specific terms—hardly an abstract concept unrelated to the world in which we live. It faces the fact of death—a stark reality and a prospective experience for everyone on earth. It does not stop with time, but it pertains also to eternity—an existence which all people anticipate by nature with a good deal of apprehension. And most important of all, it reveals our Creator and Judge as our Redeemer and Savior, thus giving meaning to life and hope to the sinner.

In an age which makes it almost a fetish to question traditional moral and religious values it would seem fair to suggest that current antireligious pronouncements also be subjected to some searching questions. If this is carried out honestly, quite a few of these pronouncements will be found to be mere assumptions, which have come to be accepted only because they are repeated so often. Among the currently popular assumptions exposed for what they are will be found the dictum that the ancient religion of the Apostles and Prophets does not relate to the modern world.

IMMANUEL G. FREY

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Dorcas A number of our congregations have Dorcas societies. Like the Dorcas remembered in the ninth chapter of the Book of Acts, many women who belong to these societies and to other societies like them are "full of good works and almsdeeds."

These women perform many valuable services for their Synod, and for charitable endeavors. They help to keep the house of worship tidy; they provide flowers for the chancel and purchase draperies for the school and for the church office; they sew the paraments for

the altar and the pulpit and lectern; they lend a hand with the school lunch programs, assist the school nurse, work long hours in the kitchen; they visit the shut-ins and the hospitalized.

Their almsdeeds benefit the retarded at Bethesda, the children at Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Service, the aged in nursing homes, the students in our Synodical schools, the sick and the handicapped in Africa, the destitute and the starving in Asia.

For all their long hours of labor they do not receive a penny of remuneration. While many women have little time for such volunteer service because they are working at places of employment to add to the family income, most of the women who belong to societies in the church are donating an uncounted number of hours of service to their congregations, to their schools, and to their Synod.

A word of appreciation from the paid to the unpaid who are filling in for them on the volunteer rosters of our congregations would be in place, perhaps even a testimonial dinner. Better still, there should be a time in the life of every able-bodied woman in our congregations when she can in some way perform the services and know the joy of being a modern-day Dorcas in the church.

CARLETON TOPPE

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1868/69 The period of 12 months from the middle of 1868 to the middle of 1869 was a critical one for the Wisconsin Synod. The Synod was in deep financial trouble, but that situation did not become really desperate until 1870. During those 12 months the Synod took a number of steps that determined the course it should follow for a century to come. Following is a list of some of the chief decisions that were made in that period.

1. The Synod reached full doctrinal agreement with the Missouri Synod, and pulpit and altar fellowship between the two bodies followed.

2. In the interest of more economical and, hopefully, more efficient operation of schools for the preparation of pastors, it was agreed that the seminary at St. Louis should train the pastors for both synods, and that the Wisconsin Synod school at Watertown should offer training on the secondary and the college level for both synods. The Missouri Synod maintained a professor at Watertown, but the Wisconsin Synod was never able financially to send Prof. Hoenecke to St. Louis to complete its part of the bargain. This arrangement ended in 1878.

3. The Wisconsin Synod severed connections with the General Council, of which it had become a charter member in 1867. The reason for this action was that the General Council did not come forward with a clear statement on four disputed points of doctrine and practice.

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Studies in God's Word

Peter's Answer to the Concerns of Today—II Peter 3:1-4

This second epistle, beloved, I now write to you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance: that ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Savior: knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, "Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation."

Are you inclined to go along with those who claim that the problems of twentieth-century man are so new and different that the message of the Church taken from Scripture simply no longer applies? Dress Peter in a turtle-neck shirt and a pair of slacks, and you will find Peter's words as up to date as today's space program and tomorrow's end of the world.

God's Word Is Ridiculed

Men who think are today mulling over the very thoughts Peter writes about in chapter three of his second letter. To justify expenditures for the space program scientists suggest that a landing on the moon and an exploration of its surface may well give us substantial clues to the origin of the universe. God's long-standing answer to that search is, of course, not the answer they want. They would like to rid themselves of God, even though the first three men to orbit the moon last Christmas sent back from space the words of Genesis one, and the postage stamp honoring them repeated their message in part: "In the beginning God."

Turning from the doctrine of Creation to that of the Second Coming of Christ, we note that our decade also has its prophets of doom. Some say that the population explosion may well destroy man from the face of the earth, others that the missile race may soon make this world uninhabitable. In a way these men are prophesying a judgment day, except that they say man is bringing about his own judgment day. What a pity! So right, and yet so wrong! Such men unfortunately will not be ready for the real judgment.

It's clear, isn't it, that man's questions in 1969 are essentially no different than they have always been. And man's answers in 1969 are not substantially different from the answers given by men in the days of Noah. How they must have laughed at Noah when he built the ark on dry land! They were convinced Noah was a fool. There wasn't a single stowaway. Too bad! The battle for God and eternity has continued ever since. Today it centers on the Book of Genesis which speaks of the Creation and on the Book of Revelation which ends with an announcement and a prayer: "Surely I come quickly. . . . Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Don't say that this doesn't affect you. It does. Our faith is being attacked, and our future is being called into question. Bombarded from all sides in this day of instant and mass communication, our convictions are being put on trial as never before. But God has not left us at loose ends. His Holy Spirit moved Peter to write the words of this third chapter with our days in mind and our salvation as his concern. We have reason to be grateful for this chapter. It meets our problems.

Silly Objections

Unbelieving critics make the first verse of this chapter a butt of their ridicule. Because Peter wrote, "This second letter, beloved, I now write

to you," and wrote that at the beginning of what is the third chapter of this letter, the critics say that this "proves" that Second Peter simply cannot be a unity. They suggest that "early compilers" patched together two different letters of Peter, if indeed they were letters of Peter at all. How ridiculous! All along these critics have spoken about differences in style. But they aren't about to let Peter follow his own style. I'd like to tell them, "Come now! Let's be honest! Haven't you yourself at the close of a letter written, 'This is the second letter I am writing to you about this, because I think it's so important'? I'm sure you felt free to do so without sending the separate parts of your letter in two envelopes!" Then why fault Peter? Let Peter be himself, and recognize that the Holy Spirit made use of Peter's style to give special emphasis to the thoughts and propositions that follow.

Remember What the Scriptures Have Said

Peter is writing to believers. He calls them "beloved" because they by faith are united with him in that love of God which is in Christ Jesus. He defines the purpose of both of his letters thus: "In both which I stir up your pure (sincere) minds by way of remembrance." In his letters he reminds his readers of facts they had learned from the Old Testament and from the preaching of the apostles. Such a reminder is always in place. Unless we keep in memory what we have learned, we can easily be led astray by the many philosophical arguments proposed today. After all, they sound so plausible! Peter, however, suggests better authorities. He says: I write "that ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets and of the commandments of us the apostles of the Lord and Savior." His authorities are men

like Moses, Isaiah, and Paul—men who wrote by inspiration and whose words therefore are God's words. These men had written and spoken of the same things Peter now writes about, and which are especially appropriate to these "last days."

The Whole New Testament Era Is the Time of the Last Days

The "last days" include the entire age of the New Testament. The concluding event of this age will be the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. Nowhere in Scripture is an exact date given for this event. People of every age were to live in daily expectation of His coming. Undoubtedly men of every time have said: "These are the very last days. It cannot get much worse!" We say the same, but it seems to me with greater justification.

What marks our age is not only the all-out attack on Creation and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ by the world of unbelieving scholars

and scientists, but an almost total rejection of these same doctrines by men in the outward church, men in executive positions and in teaching positions and men in the pulpit.

Sad to say, this is also the case in Lutheranism. Many Lutherans in these last decades have substituted evolution for creation and speak of the early chapters of Genesis as so many myths. When these same men question the resurrection of the dead, they actually undermine the Bible's teaching of the Second Coming of Christ. Why should He bother to come again, unless "before him shall be gathered all nations" (Matt. 25:32)? It would be a farce, wouldn't it! That such outright denials of Scripture teachings bring us closer to the actual end is surely a proper deduction from Christ's words in Luke 18:8: "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?"

This is what Peter has in mind when he tells us: "Knowing this

first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, 'Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.'" These words contain so many thoughts that we must treat them in detail in another installment. However, for the present, you will admit, that they do force you and me to say: "They have come. They are here."

Does this scare you? It should not, for Christ says, "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28). In the meantime, what an obligation we have to teach these truths to our children, and to share them with men everywhere! Man may stand on the moon in July, but can he stand in the presence of the Son of man? That was Peter's concern. That must be ours.

HAROLD E. WICKE



Adiaphora?

"ALL THINGS ARE YOURS"

Is it a sin to eat pork? Is it wrong to wear lipstick or jewelry? May I play baseball, golf, or indulge in any sport on Sunday? Is the use of all alcoholic beverages forbidden by God? Can I wear my hair long and not shave my beard? These are all questions over which Christian people have argued and argued, and are still arguing to this day. Do we have a sound Scriptural answer to all of these questions?

Making a Sin of Indifferent Things

Many churches have in the past and still to this day make these and many similar things a sin. In fact, churches have split and new denominations have come into being over just such questions. In my own town there is a denomination that insists that all movies, all forms of cardplaying, the wearing of any jewelry or cosmetics, the use of any alcoholic beverages, and smoking are definitely sins. It, therefore, forbids anyone who does any of these things from enrolling in its school or from joining its church.

Their argument runs something like this. Christ is the Head of the Church. He taught His disciples to observe all things which He commanded. Christ never taught His disciples to use any of these things. There-

fore, those who use any of these things go beyond what Christ has taught and have not God.

The Distinction Between Lutherans and Others

They, therefore, say, "All that is not taught in the Bible is forbidden". The Lutheran principle, on the other hand, is this, "All that is not forbidden in the Bible is a matter of Christian liberty." Hence, a Lutheran Christian in his conscience is entirely free to do or not to do, to use or not to use certain things, as the situation may demand. Outside of the limitations of love for others, placed upon him by God, as Christians we say with Paul (I Cor. 3:21b-23): "*All things are yours, whether Paul; or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; and ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.*" Certainly this means just what it says, that as Christians we have the right to use all worldly goods, which in themselves are not sinful. In fact, this world, and all things in it, exist for the Christian to use and enjoy. Note especially Paul's closing words, "Ye are Christ's, and Christ is God's." With Christ we are lords of the universe, but we are also His servants, to whom someday we must give an account of all that we have done.

No Binding of Conscience

So "let us not again become entangled in the old yoke of bondage." Let us not give in to those who would bind our consciences with a host of man-made laws. Rather, let us cling to what Luther taught in this matter, "It is not a small thing to prohibit where God does not prohibit, to destroy that Christian liberty for which

Christ paid His blood; to burden the conscience with sin where there is no sin. Whoever does this denies God, His doctrine, and His Church altogether. Let us confess Christian liberty and not permit the devil to make a law or prohibition and declare things sinful where God has not done so." Clear enough, isn't it?

KENNETH W. VERTZ

CONVENTION PREVIEWS

Decisions Facing the August Convention

As the 230 voting delegates to the 40th biennial convention of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod, meeting August 6-13 in New Ulm, Minnesota, look over the 200 pages of reports and memorials (special communications) upon which the convention must act, it may appear to be an impossible task for the seven-day meeting.

It is obvious, however, that not each of the 200 pages presents the delegates with a major decision. Falling in the area of education, missions, and organization, there are perhaps half a dozen issues which can be called "crucial."

In two articles *The Northwestern Lutheran* will bring these major issues to the attention of its readers. This first article will confine itself to the issues at the Synod's schools.

Closing of Milwaukee School Proposed

In this area, there are two major issues. One report recommends closing Wisconsin Lutheran College at the end of the 1969-70 academic year. The other report, pleading for more staff at the schools, warns that "on the basis of the workloads being placed on faculties this division wishes to emphasize the imminence of some instructional breakdown, which, in effect, is a courting of disaster."

A special report of the Coordinating Council is recommending that Wisconsin Lutheran College, a junior college in Milwaukee offering a teacher-education course, be discontinued.

The Coordinating Council, composed of representatives from each of the Synod's five divisions of work and five laymen, is responsible for presenting to the convention a balanced work program reflecting a long-range planning process in keeping with the Synod's resources.

175 Teacher Graduates Needed

The principal reason cited by the Coordinating Council's report for closing the school is that "conditions as they obtain today and for some years in the future indicate the need for no more than 175 teacher graduates each year." The report contends that Dr. Martin Luther College "can recruit the students necessary to graduate 175 teachers annually."

When the 1959 convention authorized the opening of Wisconsin Lutheran College, it feared that Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, alone could not "solve our present and future needs for more teachers

in our ever-expanding elementary and secondary school systems."

The special report calls attention to a leveling off of enrollment in the Synod's Christian day schools. A study of 1961, conducted by an educational consultant, had predicted an enrollment of 32,500 in the Christian day schools by 1969, with a minimum need for 200 teacher graduates annually. The report points out that the current actual enrollment is 25,800 and "is likely to remain relatively constant."

"Thus the nation's declining birth rate is also affecting our Synod." The Council refers to statistics which show that while communicant growth during the past decade was 13 per cent, baptisms declined by 25 per cent.

Capital Expenditures

The report also deals with problems in financing Wisconsin Lutheran College, which must move from Wisconsin Lutheran High School to its own campus within a year. The budget prepared by the Coordinating Council is recommending to the convention a \$2.5 million building program for the Synod's schools over the next 10 years.

"In the interest of a balanced work program," the report says, "the Coordinating Council was compelled to set a ceiling of \$2.5 million in capital expenditures at our schools over the next six years." It is proposing that the capital expenditures be funded from the budget over a 10-year period.

The \$2.5 million "provides for only three new buildings: a library and residence hall at Dr. Martin Luther College and a gymnasium at Northwestern College." If the \$2.5 million ceiling is exceeded, the report concludes, "it can only be at the cost of programs in other divisions."

College Reacts

Reacting to the report, the Board of Control of Wisconsin Lutheran College is submitting to the convention a series of questions raised by the report. It asks whether the present low birth rate will continue. Whether the teacher-need figures will remain constant with an intensified mission outreach. Whether Dr. Martin Luther College is "strategically and accessibly located" to recruit the necessary student body. Whether a "Christ-centered liberal arts program" on the junior college level is not worthy of consideration within a growing

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Graduation at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary—1969

These pictures will enable the many throughout our Synod who support the Seminary with their gifts but who were not able to attend the graduation in person to share to some extent the joy

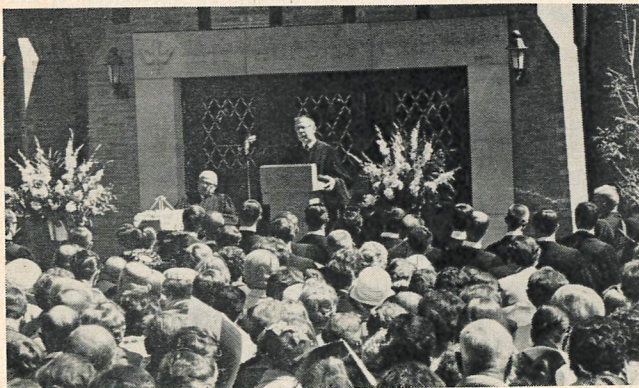
that marked the impressive and solemn ceremonies as 39 men were presented to the Church for service in the Holy Ministry. This is the largest graduating class in the history of the Seminary.

Lord, Make Them Heralds of Thy Cross!



*Accept these hands to labor,
These hearts to trust and love,*

*And deign with them to hasten
Thy Kingdom from above.*



THE ENTRANCE TO THE NEW LIBRARY at the Seminary with its inscription, "Thy Word Is Truth," forms an appropriate reredos for the graduation service, reminding the graduates that they have been called to be ambassadors of God's holy Word of Truth.



THE SEMINARY CHORUS under the direction of Prof. Martin Albrecht enhances the service with a musical rendition of the One Hundred and Third Psalm: "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name!"



PROFESSOR CARL LAWRENZ, PRESIDENT OF THE SEMINARY, in his sermon, earnestly reminds his hearers that the high calling of the holy ministry addresses itself to man's greatest need and that it fully satisfies that need.



THE CULMINATION OF TWELVE YEARS OF PREPARATION for the ministry beyond the elementary level is reached as the diploma conferring the Bachelor of Divinity degree is presented to the graduates. Prof. Martin Albrecht, secretary of the faculty (left), assists President Lawrenz as Candidate John Zickuhr receives his diploma. (Photos by Vern Roendt)

Graduation Service Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

More than 1500 worshipers gathered for this year's open-air graduation service in the Seminary Circle on Memorial Day. A warm, sunny day after a previous abundance of spring rains let our Seminary campus appear at its appealing best to all who were present for this joyous occasion.

Joy in the Christian Ministry

The graduating class was the largest in the history of our Seminary. According to the Seminary enrollment projections this distinction of being the largest graduating class will after another year pass on, however, to a whole series of successively larger graduating classes. All the same, those present at the graduation service, and all the members of our Synod, had reason to rejoice that so many individuals, 39 of them, could be called into the public ministry of the church. Twenty of them were placed into missions, 10 into new missions. One of these will be serving in the Chinese Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong. The real joy at this graduation service was joy in the Christian ministry.

Stressed in the Graduation Message

Joy in the Christian ministry was the burden of the graduation message, based on Acts 20:24. It purposed to let all present see the Christian ministry, which proclaims the Gospel of the grace of God, as St. Paul did, as a blessed privilege. It will always remain that because it addresses itself to man's greatest need and because it and it alone fully meets that need.

Confusion About the Christian Ministry

There is much confusion today concerning man's greatest need, and consequently also much confusion concerning the need to which the Christian ministry

ought to address itself. Even within the very pale of the outward church many are asserting that man's greatest need in our day is to be freed from the ills and tensions of this life, to be freed from poverty, from boredom, from ignorance, from strife and oppression, and from social injustice of every kind. As a result more and more look to the Christian ministry to meet and satisfy these supposed foremost needs of modern man. What arrogant folly that man should take the ministry which Christ has established and presume to redefine its purpose and function to his own liking! With such folly many lose their joy in the true Christian ministry.

Why the Confusion?

We need not be too surprised that so many are succumbing to such folly. The wonders of radio, of radar, of television, of freeways, of jet travel, of computers, of moon shots are truly astounding. Modern man is surrounded by phenomenal changes at every hand. As a result, man readily concludes that because so many things have changed for modern man, everything else likewise can, does, and must change, even the functions of the Christian ministry. This is not true, of course, even in the physical sphere. Even here all depends on whether the Creator has left allowance for change. Man can learn to do things even in the midst of weightlessness, but he cannot cease breathing oxygen and cannot do without sleep and food if he wishes to survive. Yet it is in the spiritual field that we have the real need of guarding against the fallacious conclusion which man is drawing from all the change that he is experiencing. On the basis of God's inspired and inerrant Word Christians need to retain the firm conviction that man's spiritual needs have not changed and will not change. Man's sin and his guilt before God is and ever remains

his greatest need. Also modern man is utterly unable of himself to get rid of his sin and guilt before God.

The Gospel Is Still Fully Relevant

To man's plight of sin, to the guilt of sin, to the curse of sin, and to the bondage of sin, the Christian ministry addresses itself. Its real function is to solve this plight of sin for mankind. It is able to do this by testifying, by proclaiming the Gospel of the grace of God, the message of the forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ, Nothing else can solve man's greatest need. The Gospel can, because it is the power of God unto salvation.

Our Appreciation of the Ministry

To retain a true appreciation of the Christian ministry all of us need to learn over and over from God's inspired and inerrant Word what our own greatest need really is. What is more, through Word and Sacrament all of us need to experience over and over again that the Gospel of God's grace, of His forgiveness in Christ Jesus, is able to fill that need for time and eternity. Then we will find real joy in the work of training men for the ministry and in sending them out in ever greater numbers to proclaim the Gospel of the grace of God, wherever the Lord opens doors for us at home and abroad.

In Terms of Seminary Expansion

In September our Seminary looks forward to a Junior class of more than 60, to a Middler class of 49. Classes of comparable, and even larger size, will be entering in subsequent years. This necessitates class divisions in all of our Seminary courses and calls for a larger teaching staff. The Seminary is grateful that it was authorized to call a tenth professor, and that Dr. Siegbert Becker has been led to accept this call, so that he will be augmenting our teaching staff for the coming school year. We also wish to report with deep appreciation that our Synod's Board of Trustees has recently authorized the calling of the eleventh professor, and the engaging of a business manager.

Mr. Emerson Stickford of Divinity-Divine Charity Lutheran Church, Milwaukee, has been engaged to fill the latter position. As he takes over various bookkeeping, accounting, supervisory, and executive duties, which were thus far carried out by faculty members on a part-time basis, these faculty members will regain valuable time for their primary assignments of theological study, teaching, and writing.

Our joy in the Christian ministry will give us joy also in these expansions of our Seminary program, and induce us to support them joyfully with our gifts for the Lord's kingdom.

CARL LAWRENZ

Presenting the 1969 Graduates Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary



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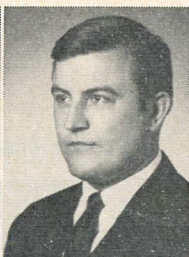
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Grace, Safford;
Trinity, Morenci,
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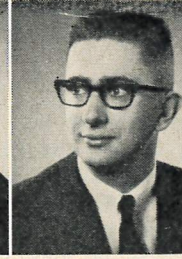
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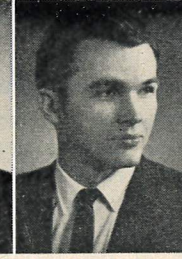
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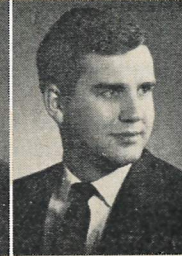
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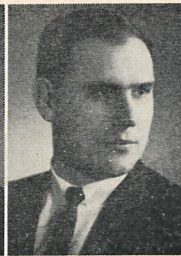
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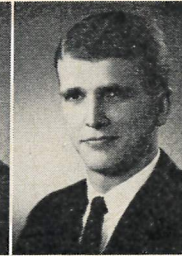
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To: Grace, Oshkosh, Wis.

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Neal D. Schroeder, Watertown, Wis.
To: Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn.

Editorials

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4. Our Synod also terminated its connection with the Berlin and Langenberg Mission Societies in Germany, from which most of the pastors then active in the Synod had come as missionaries. The Synod took this difficult step because it was resolved to take a clear confessional stand in respect to the Union in Germany.

5. The Synod renounced all claim to the money that Rev. Bading had collected for it in congregations belonging to the Union in Germany.

6. As a result of the break with the German societies and the General Council, Pastors Borberg and Kittel and President Martin of the college in Watertown left the Synod.

7. To replace President Martin, A. F. Ernst, pastor in Albany, New York, was called. In 1870 he became president of Northwestern College and remained in that office till 1919.

8. The college board had at its own risk taken the bold step of buying 30 acres of land adjacent to the college property, in the heart of Watertown, for \$6475. The Synod approved the purchase but later it repented and decided to ask Mr. Alcott, the original owner, to take back the land. Fortunately for the Synod and the college, Mr. Alcott refused. In the end, after selling off 26 lots, the Synod managed to pay for the land, come out from under its other debts, reopen its own seminary, and begin to build on a sound foundation.

ERWIN E. KOWALKE

Decisions Facing the August Convention

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church body. Altogether the board is submitting 40 questions which, it says, "seek answers" before the validity of the special report can be established.

More Staff

Another report from the Synod's schools calls the lack of faculty a "crushing and restrictive factor." Since 1965, the report says, "a virtual moratorium has been in effect with respect to the filling of authorized professorships."

The report recognizes that the "Synod's overall financial plight has been largely responsible for this." Yet it sounds the warning that "if the institutions are

to continue to train academically competent and doctrinally sound workers, there is no alternative but to provide staff."

These two problems—the future of the Milwaukee college and adequate staffing—will loom large in the convention debates. Since the Coordinating Council and the Board of Trustees are recommending to the convention a budget which, they maintain, is a "balanced work program," more dollars allocated to the schools beyond the recommended budget will mean less dollars to allocate elsewhere.

The second of these two articles on convention issues will focus on the decisions facing the convention in the area of missions.

JAMES P. SCHAEFER

† Prof. Carl Schweppe †

Prof. Carl Schweppe, former president of Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, died suddenly of a heart attack Thursday morning, May 29, 1969. The funeral services took place at St. Paul's in New Ulm on Monday, June 2. The sermon preached by the undersigned was based on Revelation 2:10, "Be thou faithful until death, and I will give thee a crown of life." The assembled congregation, including pastors, professors, teachers, and former students from far and near, was also addressed briefly by Prof. Oscar Siegler, representing Dr. Martin Luther College and Martin Luther Academy, and by President Oscar Naumann, speaking for our Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod. A choir from DMLC and another from MLA sang anthems at the service. Pastor Thomas Henning of St. Paul's conducted the liturgy at the church and the committal service at St. Paul's cemetery.

Prof. Carl Schweppe was born in Sigel Township, Brown County, Minnesota, on July 18, 1892. He became a child of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, which he received from the hand of Pastor C. J. Albrecht in St. Paul's Lutheran Church of New Ulm.

Shortly after his mother's death, when the departed was but five years old, the Schweppe family moved to St. James. There he received his

elementary education in the public and the Christian day schools. He was confirmed in 1906.

He attended Dr. Martin Luther College until 1909, and graduated from Northwestern College, Watertown, Wisconsin, in 1912. Upon his graduation from our Seminary at Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, in 1915 he was assigned to Northwestern College, where he served as tutor until



Prof. C. L. Schweppe

1917. From 1917 until 1920 he was the pastor of St. John's Congregation at Bowdle, South Dakota. In 1920 the departed was called to Dr. Martin Luther College, where he served our Lord faithfully and well until his retirement in 1967. He was the president of Dr. Martin Luther College from 1934 until 1966. Prof. Schweppe's fiftieth anniversary in the office of the ministry of the

Word was celebrated by a host of colleagues and friends in 1965. Prof. Schweppe also held a number of civil offices in the New Ulm community.

Prof. Schweppe was united in marriage with Flora Oetting on July 18, 1917. The Lord blessed their union with one son and two daughters. Mrs. Schweppe died in 1964.

For a number of years Prof. Schweppe was afflicted with a malady which necessitated repeated surgery and hospitalization. For the past two years, however, he enjoyed relatively good health. Sudden and unexpected, therefore, was the heart attack with which the Lord summoned him to his eternal home on Thursday morning, May 29. With the help of God he attained the age of 76 years, 10 months, and 11 days. He was laid to rest beside his wife in St. Paul's cemetery, there to await the resurrection of all flesh.

Prof. Schweppe is survived by his son, Homer of Silver Springs, Maryland, his two daughters, Betty, Mrs. Vernon Gerlach of Tempe, Arizona, and Spoll, Mrs. Robert Nordby of Minneapolis, by two brothers, Alfred of Seattle, Washington, and Walter of Minneapolis, and one sister, Winnifred, Mrs. Martin Jordahl of Albert Lea, Minnesota, and by nine grandchildren.

"The Lord gave; the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

W. J. SCHMIDT

Editorial: Carl L. Schweppe

[Professor Carl L. Schweppe, who was respected and esteemed Synod-wide, was also highly regarded in his own community, as the following editorial, which appeared in the New Ulm Daily Journal of June 2, 1969, testifies.]

Carl L. Schweppe could well wear the title of *New Ulm's Foremost Educator*. No one could match his years of service to young people both as teacher and administrator. He came to New Ulm in 1920 as teacher in the Dr. Martin Luther College and its companion High School. He retired in 1966 as president of the College and shortly after as teacher.

Of pioneer stock in Brown County, "Professor Schweppe," as we knew him in New Ulm, off campus as well as on, was of the old school in education. Though he was promoted into administration, and with the growth of the Luther schools could no doubt have given up the classroom, he stayed with teaching part time. He often expressed the belief that an administrator needed to have a classroom on the side to know what was going on.

English was his specialty and he was a Shakespearean scholar. He also was well versed in the classic languages. Years ago Prof. Schweppe used to meet with Dr. F. J. Pellant and Father Schlinkert, pastor of Holy Trinity, and the three would converse in Greek and Latin.

Until near the end of his career at the College, Prof. Schweppe was a familiar sight in the morning walking up the Center Street Hill to chapel. He carried a brief case with his homework aboard. It was a good pull, too, from 26 S. Franklin.

During his almost half a century with the school, it grew from a couple of buildings into the attractive place we know today. The number of students more than tripled. The College was expanded from a two-year course to four years.

Carl Schweppe was a Christian educator who on the surface sometimes appeared stern. He demanded discipline of his students but no more than he gave. He carved out an illustrious record in his hometown, which owes him a debt of gratitude for developing the College in the face of sometimes strong forces to expand Wisconsin Lutheran Synod schools elsewhere.

Michigan Lutheran Seminary Choir Tours Florida

[This article was written by one of the choir members, Karla Koeplin.]

Choir tours at Michigan Lutheran Seminary of Saginaw have always been special, but this year's was even more notable than most. For the first time in the history of the Michigan District—Florida area—a choir was sent from one of our schools to tour the churches. For both choir and hosts, it was a memorable experience.

In spite of rides of nearly unbearable length, the group managed to stick to its schedule at least reasonably well.

The first place on the itinerary was Huntsville, Alabama. Since the communicant strength of this congregation is only eleven, the choir members might have been expected to outnumber the hosts. To the gratification of all concerned, such was not the case.

The next stop was the Tampa-St. Petersburg area. Starting with a sunrise service on Easter morning, the choir sang a total of three concerts and participated in two church services during the two day stay. The two services Sunday morning were at Bay Pines Congregation in Largo. A full concert was sung between these two services in neighboring St. Petersburg. The second and third concerts were given on successive evenings—the former on Easter at Bay Pines again, and the latter in the city of Tampa on Monday.

The next three days' concerts were also grouped by geography. By means of a series of short hops, the choir was able to sing three evening concerts in the cities of Bradenton, Pompano Beach, and Merritt Island.

One short week and eight efforts later, it was over and time to turn

around and head for the north once more. On the way, the choir was privileged to be the guests of the congregations in Kenton and Findlay, Ohio.

Though it was a hurried journey, everyone who went felt its impact. Not only did it give the congregations a greater feeling of being a part of their Synod; but, of equal importance, it was an inspiring experience for a group of future pastors and teachers, showing them both what is being done and how very much is left to be done in the mission fields. Nothing could have affected our group more than hundreds of miles with no churches of our Synod at all, contrasted with the vigorous congregations in the south, so young and yet so healthy. God most certainly granted to all, the planners, the hosts, and the choir itself, more blessings than anyone had been able to foresee.

Briefs

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made up of seven persons. Dr. G. A. Danel, Dean of Växjö, is president. Among the other members is Dr. David Hedegard."

With the increasing secularization of society in the United States, it is

no secret that there is also an appalling lack of knowledge of the Bible in this country. Those children educated in our Christian day schools and Lutheran high schools are enjoying a rare privilege. Where such opportunities are not available, parents and congregations will need to make other agencies of Christian

education such as Sunday schools and vacation Bible schools as effective as possible. The future of the church depends on the training given to children and young people. God holds the present generation of parents and church members responsible for that.

THE FORTIETH BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE WISCONSIN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

The Fortieth Biennial Convention of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod will meet, God willing, August 6 to 13, 1969, at Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn.

The opening service with Holy Communion will be held Wednesday, August 6, 10 a.m., in the chapel-auditorium of the Academic Center on the DMLC campus. Pastor Norman W. Berg, Executive Secretary of the Board for Home Missions, will preach the sermon. The closing service will be held Tuesday, August 12, at 7:30 p.m. Pastor Karl F. Krauss, Lansing, Mich., will deliver the sermon.

The opening session will be held Wednesday, August 6, at 2 p.m. in the gymnasium-auditorium of the Luther Memorial Union building. Delegates are asked to arrive early enough so that they will have time to register before the beginning of the opening session. Registrations will be made at the Luther Memorial Union.

Two essays will be presented during the course of the convention. Pastor Darvin Raddatz, Beaver Dam, Wis., will present an essay entitled "Our Call To Serve." The second essay, entitled "Our Stewardship Call," will be delivered by Pastor Joel C. Gerlach, Garden Grove, Calif.

Housing for the delegates will be provided in Hillview Hall, Centennial Hall, and West Hall on the DMLC campus. Detailed instructions pertaining to housing will be mailed to each delegate together with reservation cards. All voting and advisory delegates must make reservations for housing. Reservations should be made by July 15, 1969. Kindly address all communications to The Convention Housing Committee, Dr. Martin Luther College—Box 417, New Ulm, Minn. 56073.

Meals will be served all bona fide delegates in the College cafeteria. Meal tickets will be available to visitors.

Mail sent to delegates during the convention should be addressed in care of Dr. Martin Luther College—Box 417, New Ulm, Minn. 56073. Delegates may be reached by telephone by calling (507) 354-8221.

Paul R. Hanke, Secretary

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(Note: the Constitution requires the publication of the names of all voting delegates to the convention. It also requires the publication of all floor committees appointed by the Praesidium. In the interest of conserving space in our NORTH-WESTERN LUTHERAN, the list of floor committees is being published here. It contains the names of all voting delegates in addition to a few advisory delegates. No list of voting delegates arranged according to Districts will be published.—O.J.N.)

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

The Seminary Board of Control invites the members of the Synod to nominate candidates for the eleventh professorship, which has been assigned to the fields of Old Testament and Homiletics.

Submit nominations no later than July 25, 1969, to:

Pastor Emil G. Toepel, Secretary
 614 East St.
 Baraboo, Wis. 53913

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Wisconsin Lutheran College

Since Dr. Siegbert W. Becker has accepted the call to the tenth professorship of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, the Board of Control of Wisconsin Lutheran College requests the members of the Synod to submit names in nomination for the vacated professorship.

Nominees should be theologically trained, qualified to teach religion, particularly Old and New Testament Introduction as well as Christian Doctrine.

Nominations should be submitted to the undersigned by July 28, 1969.

Mr. H. O. Ihlenfeldt, Secretary
 Wisconsin Lutheran College
 Board of Control
 330 North Glenview Ave.
 Milwaukee, Wis. 53213

RESULT OF COLLOQUY

In a colloquy held on June 12, 1969, Mr. Arnold W. Wentzel, Vernon Center, Minn., formerly of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, was found to be in agreement with the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod in doctrine and practice. He is herewith declared to be eligible for a call into the teaching ministry of our Synod.

First Vice-President Carl H. Mischke
 District President Manfred J. Lenz
 Professor Martin Albrecht

LIST OF CANDIDATES

The following candidates have been nominated to teach in the English Department at Northwestern College:
 Pastor Lyle Albrecht—Warren, Mich.
 Pastor Gary Baumber—East Brunswick, N. J.
 Prof. Wayne Borgwardt—New Ulm, Minn.
 Pastor Paul Eckert—Milwaukee, Wis.
 Prof. Conrad Frey, New Ulm, Minn.
 Prof. James Fricke—Saginaw, Mich.
 Pastor Myron Kell—Ann Arbor, Mich.
 Prof. David Kuske—Bangor, Wis.
 Pastor Thomas Kuster—Madison, Wis.
 Pastor Victor Prange—Janesville, Wis.
 Pastor Darwin Raddatz—Beaver Dam, Wis.
 Prof. Loren Schaller—Manitowoc, Wis.
 Pastor Lowell Smith—San Diego, Calif.
 Pastor Kenneth Strack—Tecumseh, Mich.
 Pastor David Valleskey—San Jose, Calif.

Any correspondence concerning these candidates should be in the hands of the secretary no later than July 16, 1969.

W. A. Schumann, Secretary
 612 S. 5th St.
 Watertown, Wis. 53094

CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY

The following candidates have been nominated for the office of Dean of Students at Michigan Lutheran Seminary:

Rev. George Boldt—Morton Grove, Ill.
 Prof. Conrad Frey—New Ulm, Minn.
 Rev. Roy Hoenecke—Jordan, Minn.
 Rev. William Meier—Phoenix, Ariz.
 Rev. Robert Mueller—Livonia, Mich.
 Rev. Richard Pankow—Crete, Ill.
 Rev. John Parcher—La Crosse, Wis.
 Rev. Henry Peter—Sodus, Mich.
 Rev. Darwin Raddatz—Beaver Dam, Wis.
 Rev. Reuel Schulz—West Allis, Wis.
 Rev. Ralph Westendorf—Milwaukee, Wis.
 Rev. Richard Winter—Manitowoc, Wis.

Any correspondence regarding these candidates should be in the hands of the secretary no later than July 17, 1969.

Gerald R. Cudworth, Secretary
 Board of Control of Michigan Lutheran Seminary
 34235 Blackfoot Lane
 Westland, Mich. 48185

**NAMES REQUESTED
for Our New Missions**

In recent months Wisconsin Synod began work in the states and cities listed below. Please send all names of members who moved into the general area of these cities, as well as names of people who may be interested in a Wisconsin Synod mission, to the Synod's Membership Conservation office. Names as well as pertinent information regarding members referred will be forwarded to the nearest pastor and/or mission board chairman. Pastors who want stations included in this list are to inform the respective District mission board chairman. Area names are dropped from this list after appearing in the Yearbook for one year.

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Oceanside
Santa Barbara |
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Grand Junction |
| Connecticut | Hartford |
| Florida | Holiday (Tarpon Springs)
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Indianapolis |
| Louisiana | Slidell (New Orleans) |
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Montrose |
| Minnesota | Alexandria
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Prior Lake |
| Missouri | St. Joseph* |
| New Mexico | Albuquerque |
| Ohio | Cuyahoga Falls (Akron) |
| Oklahoma | Oklahoma City |
| Oregon | Corvallis* |
| South Dakota | Huron*
Pierre*
Spearfish |
| Texas | Austin*
El Paso |
| Virginia | Norfolk |
| Washington | Kennewick (Richland-Pasco) |

CANADA

- British Columbia
Kelowna

*Denotes exploratory services.
(New Missions in cities already having a WELS church are not listed.)

Note: All names and addresses of members who move, unless they can be transferred directly to a sister congregation, should be mailed to our

WELS MEMBERSHIP CONSERVATION
10729 Worden, Detroit, Mich. 48224

**EXPLORATORY SERVICES
Palatine, Illinois**

The Southeastern Wisconsin District is starting exploratory services in Palatine, Ill. Place: Palatine Savings & Loan Assn., 100 West Palatine. Please send names and addresses of prospects in the Palatine, Arlington Heights area to:

Pastor H. Wackerfuss
1108 Darrow Ave.
Evanston, Ill. 60202
Phone (312) 864-5230

REQUEST FOR NAMES

A new Lutheran congregation is being formed in Crookston, Minn. Services will begin, God willing, on July 6 at 11 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Chapel, 418 South Ash. The chapel is a mission of River Heights Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. It will be served by the Rev. Erling T. Teigen of East Grand Forks, Minn.

Please send referrals to:
Pastor Erling T. Teigen
1708 2nd St. N.W.
East Grand Forks, Minn. 56721
Phone 218-773-1744

INFORMATION REQUESTED

Please send names of WELS members or mission prospects in: Wellington, Greeley, Windsor, Loveland, or Fort Collins, Colo., to:

Pastor L. A. Tessmer
1304 Le May Ave.
Fort Collins, Colo. 80521

**EXPLORATORY SERVICES
Peoria, Illinois**

Exploratory services sponsored by the Western Wisconsin Board for Home Missions will be held every Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock beginning June 8 at the Bob Aswege State Farm Office, 227 North Main, Creve Couere, Ill., serving Peoria, East Peoria, Creve Couere, Pekin and surrounding area.
Henry Paustian

**EXPLORATORY SERVICES
Honolulu, Hawaii**

Regular monthly exploratory services are being held in Honolulu at 4 p.m., Fort Shafter Chapel Annex. Local contact for dates: Lt. Col. Karl Kuckhahn, 1218A Hase Dr., Ft. Shafter 96558. Phone: 86-1856.
Address other correspondence to:

Rev. Paul Heyn
9130 Southern Rd.
LaMesa, Calif. 92041

**CHANGE OF PLACE OF WORSHIP
Divine Savior Ev. Lutheran Church
Indianapolis, Indiana**

Now worshipping at the Lawrence Lions Community Building, 4749 Richardt Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. 46226.

Sunday worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday school, 11 a.m.

Thomas C. Spiegelberg, Pastor

**ORDINATIONS AND
INSTALLATIONS**

Pastor

Installed

Zimmermann, Roland, as pastor of Friedens Ev. Lutheran, Bonduel, Wis., and St. Paul Ev. Lutheran, Zachow, Wis., and as interim pastor of the mission, Divine Savior Ev. Lutheran, Shawano, Wis., by C. W. Voss, assisted by D. E. Kock; June 8, 1969.

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Backus, Glenway P.

824 Forest St.
Hastings, Minn. 55033

Zimmermann, Roland F.

Route 1, Box 51
Bonduel, Wis. 54107

NOTE!

Mailing Address of our Pastor in Vietnam (first class only):

Rev. Melvin Schwark
% Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod
Box 56 APO SF 96243

Street address in Saigon (for servicemen in Vietnam):
329 VO TAHN Telephone: PTT 22429

NOTICE

The next regular meeting of the full Board of Trustees is scheduled for

August 4, 1969

at New Ulm, Minnesota, prior to the Synod Convention.

Business to be acted upon should be in the hands of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees or its Executive Secretary at least ten (10) days before the scheduled meeting.

Norbort E. Paustian, Secretary
Board of Trustees

COMMUNION SET WANTED

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, a mission congregation in Salem, Ore., needs a communion set. The congregation is willing to pay any transportation costs. Contact:

Pastor W. F. Bernhardt
1605 Summer SE
Salem, Ore. 97302

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CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

NORTHERN WISCONSIN

MANITOWOC DELEGATE CONFERENCE

Date: Sunday, July 27, 1969.
Place: St. John Ev. Lutheran Church (Newtonburg), R. 3, Manitowoc, Wis.
Time: 8 p.m.
Agenda: Discussion of The Book of Reports and Memorials.
Paul V. Borchardt, Secretary

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN

**DODGE-WASHINGTON
DELEGATE CONFERENCE**

July 27, 1969, at 1:45 p.m. at Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, Town Herman.
Paul H. Huth, Secretary

**DODGE-WASHINGTON
PASTORAL CONFERENCE**

Date: Aug. 26, 1969.
Place: St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church, Theresa, Wis.
Time: 9 a.m.
Preacher: L. Groth (Alternate, B. Hahm).
Papers: The Moral Implications of Transplants, E. Froehlich; Augsburg Confession Article VII, E. Weiss; Participating in Church Services of Others, N. Retzlaff.
Alternate Papers: Ministering to the Mentally Afflicted, M. Croll; Exegesis of Gen. 15, H. Lemke.
Paul H. Huth, Secretary

CLOSING DATES FOR DISTRICT CASHIERS

The schedule of closing dates for remittances of offerings by congregations to their District Cashiers is as follows:

July 24, 1969
Aug. 24, 1969
Norris Koopmann, Treasurer